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Amendment and Response
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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10 and 17-21 without prejudice.

Please add claims 30-33.

Please amend claims 1, 11-16, 22, and 26 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
      receiving a print job ~~having an associated~~ identifying a print destination;
      determining a first location associated with a source of the print job;
      determining a second location associated with the print destination;
      determining a printing policy ~~associated with~~ of the print job, the printing policy being based on the first location associated with the source of the print job and the second location associated with the print destination; and
      communicating the print job to the print destination if the print job satisfies the printing policy.

2. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 further comprising deleting the print job if the print job does not satisfy the printing policy.

3. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the printing policy includes determining whether the first location is the same as the second location.

4. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the printing policy includes determining whether the first and second locations are located in a common facility and whether the second location is in a controlled area of the common facility.

5. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein determining a first location includes identifying a communication port associated with the source of the print job.

6. (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein determining a second location includes identifying a communication port associated with the print destination.

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7.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the source of the print job and the print destination are located in a common facility.

8.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the print job is received by a print server.

9.   (Original) A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the print job destination is a printer.

10.   (Cancelled)

11.   (Currently Amended) ~~A method as recited in claim 10 further comprising~~ A method comprising:

        receiving a print job having an associated print destination;
        determining a first location associated with a source of the received print job;
        determining a second location associated with the print destination;
        communicating the received print job to the print destination if both the first and second locations are in a common facility, and the second location is in a controlled area of the common facility; and

        deleting the received print job if the first and second locations are in different facilities.

12.   (Currently Amended) ~~A method as recited in claim 10 further comprising~~ A method comprising:

        receiving a print job having an associated print destination;
        determining a first location associated with a source of the received print job;
        determining a second location associated with the print destination;
        communicating the received print job to the print destination if both the first and second locations are in a common facility, and the second location is in a controlled area of the common facility; and

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deleting the received print job if the second location is in an uncontrolled area of the facility.

13.   (Currently Amended) A method as recited in ~~claim 10~~ claim 11 wherein the common facility is a hotel.

14.   (Currently Amended) A method as recited in ~~claim 10~~ claim 11 wherein the controlled area of the common facility is the front desk of the facility.

15.   (Currently Amended) A method as recited in ~~claim 10~~ claim 11 wherein determining a first location includes identifying a first network port associated with the source of the received print job.

16.   (Currently Amended) A method as recited in ~~claim 10~~ claim 11 wherein determining a second location includes identifying a second network port associated with the print destination.

17.   (Cancelled)

18.   (Cancelled)

19.   (Cancelled)

20.   (Cancelled)

21.   (Cancelled)

22.   (Currently Amended) A server comprising:
        a network mapping application to identify devices coupled to a network;
        at least one printing policy; and
        a processor configured to execute the network mapping application and further

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configured to apply the at least one printing policy,

wherein the server receives a print job ~~having an associated~~ identifying a print destination and determines a first location associated with [[the]] a source of the print job and a second location associated with the print destination,

wherein the at least one printing policy is based on the source of the print job and the print destination, and

wherein the print job is communicated to the print destination if the print job satisfies the at least one printing policy.

23.   (Original) A server as recited in claim 22 wherein the processor is further configured to delete the print job if the print job does not satisfy the at least one printing policy.

24.   (Original) A server as recited in claim 22 wherein the at least one printing policy includes determining whether the first location is the same as the second location.

25.   (Original) A server as recited in claim 22 wherein the at least one printing policy includes determining whether the first and second locations are located in a common facility and whether the second location is in a controlled area of the common facility.

26.   (Currently Amended) One or more computer-readable media having stored thereon a computer program that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to:

receive a print job ~~having an associated~~ identifying a print destination;

determine a first location associated with a source of the print job;

determine a second location associated with the print destination;

determine a printing policy ~~associated with~~ of the print job, the printing policy being based on the first location associated with the source of the print job and the second location associated with the print destination; and

communicate the print job to the print destination if the print job satisfies the printing policy.

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27.   (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 26 wherein the computer program further causes the one or more processors to delete the print job if the print job does not satisfy the printing policy.

28.   (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 26 wherein the printing policy includes determining whether the first location is the same as the second location.

29.   (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 26 wherein the printing policy includes determining whether the first and second locations are located in a common facility and whether the second location is in a controlled area of the common facility.

30.   (New) A method as recited in claim 12 wherein the common facility is a hotel.

31.   (New) A method as recited in claim 12 wherein the controlled area of the common facility is the front desk of the facility.

32.   (New) A method as recited in claim 12 wherein determining a first location includes identifying a first network port associated with the source of the received print job.

33.   (New) A method as recited in claim 12 wherein determining a second location includes identifying a second network port associated with the print destination.

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